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Message of the Day

Protecting taxpayers by providing relief for all working Americans.

10,000

- amount, in dollars, of the adoption tax credit in the Financial Freedom Act.

Events	TODAY – 8/5	Tomorrow – 8/6	Coming up	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	* On floor: financial freedom, Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary, VA-HUD, aviation; * Hastert, Watts news conference on GOP accomplishments; * Foley, others news conference on insurance for catastrophes; * Bliley, Bilirakis, Upton, Bono news conference on date rape-drug; * Sensenbrenner markup of high- tech research bill; * Hoekstra subcommittee on prison labor; * Hayworth on "Washington Journal" on tax relief.	* On floor: Treasury-Postal, energy and water, campaign finance, water resources; * Dreier hearing on milk prices; * Mica hearing on Columbia drug policy enforcement with Burton , Gilman ; * Saxton hearing on July employment situation.	* 8/7 Armey to Omaha to address Midwestern Leadership Conference; * 8/7 Whitfield to MC Fancy Farm picnic in Ky.; * 8/10 Portman news conference on retirement security, tax relief; * 8/10 Frelinghuysen to tour N.J. Superfund cites; * 8/10 Pombo subcommittee field hearing on American wine; * 8/10-11 Blunt, Talent to begin Missouri agriculture tour; * 8/10 Blunt, Regula to attend dedication of park.	* On floor: investors protection passed (376-43), Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary (rule 221-205); * Fowler subcommittee on FEMA cost-effectiveness; * DeLay spoke to the Republican National Hispanic Assembly; * Bilirakis subcommittee on Medicare+Choice; * Canady markup of unborn victims of violence; * Gilman hearing on Balkans policy; * Smith of N.J. markup of international sexual trafficking.	ABC World News (Wed.) 1. Government wants to refinance debt on old T-bonds 2. Dow Chemical buying Union Carbide 3. Court rules Scouts' ban on homosexuals illegal NBC Nightly News (Wed.) 1. GOP, Clinton in showdown over tax relief 2. Dow Chemical, Union Carbide to merge 3. Tech stocks sink CBS Evening News (Wed.) 1. N.J. court rules Boy Scouts' ban on homosexuals illegal
Senate GOP	* On floor: Interior, tax relief; * Lugar hearing on farm income; * Bond news conference on GOP accomplishments, priorities; * Thompson news conference on Justice, China espionage; * Craig to meet with youth leadership.	* On floor: financial freedom (tent.); * To home states for August work period.	* 8/10 Murkowski field hearing on Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act; * 9/9 Warner hearing on Shelton nomination.	* On floor: Agriculture; * Lugar hearing on farm income; * McCain, Domenici hearings on elderly fraud; * Helms hearing on Taiwan security; * Grassley attended nursing home reception.	2. FBI heightening security 3. Clinton comment clarified to stress belief in responsibility Fox Special Report (Wed.) 1. Clinton comments on Hillary 2. House, Senate resolve differences, prepare to pass tax relief 3. Thompson, Lieberman to release
Govs	* Bush of Texas to Des Moines, Iowa, to meet with Hispanic leaders.	* Thompson to conclude Harley Ride '99.	* 8/7 RGA annual meeting in St. Louis on education.	* Almond signed college tuition grants to widows of police officers.	Chinese espionage report Washington Post (Thurs.) 1. \$7.4 billion farm aid package
President	* To attend Democrat unity event on the Hill; * To hold cabinet meeting, possible news conference.	* 8/6-8 To Little Rock to attend Gore 2000 fundraisers.	* 8/9 To address ABA conference in Atlanta; * 8/10 To participate in two Gore 2000 fundraisers in D.C.	* In D.C., recommended buying down the debt; * Responded to first lady's remarks on his "sins of weakness."	passes Senate 2. GOP tax bill set to pass House 3. Hillary defends infidelity comments
1 st Lady	* To Buffalo, N.Y., to listen, attend youth violence luncheon.	* In Rochester, N.Y., for listening tour, Slaughter fundraiser (tent.).	* 8/17-27 To Martha's Vineyard for vacation with president.	* In N.Y., responded to comments on president's "sins of weakness."	Washington Times (Thurs.) 1. Embassies vulnerable to attacks
VP Gore	* Tipper to Chicago, Milwaukee, for Team Tipper events, fundraisers.	Schedule not available to the public.	* 8/7 To attend Rainbow/PUSH Coalition conference in Chicago.	* Chaired U.SUkraine meeting with President Kuchma.	Scouts can't exclude homosexual Clinton judges meeting privately
Cabinet	* Glickman to address Corn Growers Association.	* Babbitt to explore Steens Mt., Ore., visit with children.	* 8/19 Riley to kick off back-to- school events.	* Herman to Chicago, spoke at a welfare-to-work conference.	New York Times (Thurs.) 1. Government plans to buy bonds 2. Judge halts logging deals
Dems	* Democrat unity event with Clinton to complain about not accomplishing their agenda; * Lincoln news conference on farm policy reform.	* To begin district work period, complain about not meeting their agenda.	* 8/7 Norton to attend respect diversity day rally in D.C.	* Daschle, Wellstone, Dorgan news conference on agriculture; * Rangel, Bonior, others news conference petition for school construction.	Court overturns Scout ruling USA TODAY (Thurs.) Court rejects homosexual ouster Tech stocks drop, market chills Expert expects potent hurricanes